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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MBFR: PRESIDENT FORD'S DECEMBER 2 NEWS CONFERENCE

1. EUROPEAN WIRELESS FILE OF DECEMBER 2 CONTAINS ITEM NO. SF 2, "HIGHLIGHTS: PRESIDENT FORD'S DECEMBER 2 NEWS CONFERENCE" WHICH STATES: "MR. FORD SAID HE HOPES THAT U.S. TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATIONED IN EUROPE CAN BE REDUCED IN THE PROCESS OF THE MUTUAL BALANCED FORCE REDUCTION NEGOTIATIONS." MISSION HAS ALSO HEARD STATEMENTS TO THIS EFFECT ON RADIO NEWS ACCOUNTS.

2. HOWEVER, THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT REPEAT NOT APPEAR IN OUR TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S NEWS CONFERENCE. THE TEXT DOES REFER TO THE HOPE OF REDUCTIONS IN MILITARY PERSONNEL, "AS WELL AS ANY ARMS REDUCTIONS". THIS IS, OF COURSE, CONSISTENT WITH THE ALLIED POSITION CALLING FOR WITHDRAWAL OF A SOVIET TANK ARMY, INCLUDING CONFIDENTIAL

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1700 TANKS.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT A CORRECTION BE ISSUED TO THE HIGHLIGHTS ITEMS IN THE WIRELESS FILE, AND THAT

WASHINGTON CONSIDER THE DESIRABILITY OF ISSUING A CLARIFICATION  
REGARDING THE REFERENCE TO "ANY ARMS REDUCTIONS."  
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